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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Gerhard HARTWICH and Adam HELLER  
Serial no. : 09/856,543  
Filed : an effective filing date of November 19, 1999  
For : METHOD FOR THE ELECTROCHEMICAL  
DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID OLIGOMER  
HYBRIDS  
Group Art Unit : 1637  
Examiner : Jezia RILEY  
Docket : PATKRI P01AUS

The Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent & Trademark Office  
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### RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

[XXX] A CHECK FOR THE FEES INDICATED BELOW, BASED UPON THE APPLICANT'S SMALL ENTITY STATUS, ACCOMPANIES THIS RESPONSE.	
PETITION FOR 3-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$510
TOTAL	\$510

In response to the official action mailed September 7, 2004, the Applicant petitions for a three month extension of term, attached hereto, thereby extending the term for response to and including **March 7, 2005**. Please enter the following before reconsideration of this application.

#### In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 29-37, 44-56, 58, 59, 61-65, 67-70, 72-83, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein and amend claims 57, 60, 66 and 71 shown by underlining and/or the claims deletions are shown by strikeout. Please enter the amended claims into the record of this case.

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